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1. JAPANESE EMBASSY SECOND SECRETARY TANAKA CALLED ON IO/UNP ACTING DIRECTOR SEPT. 8 FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION OF JAPANESE CONTRIBUTION TO UNTAG. DURING ENSUING DISCUSSION, TANAKA ADVISED THAT JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD DECIDED TO OFFER, IN RESPONSE TO EXPECTED REQUEST FROM UN SECRETARIAT, ASSISTANCE TO UNTAG IN FORM OF CONFIDENTIAL

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280 MOTOR VEHICLES (INCLUDING TRUCKS, BUSSES AND PASSENGER CARS), AND 128 PORTABLE GENERATING UNITS.

TANAKA SAID THAT HIS INSTRUCTIONS DID NOT INDICATE WHETHER GOJ PLANNED PROVIDE THIS EQUIPMENT TO UN ON NON-REIMBURSABLE BASIS, BUT HIS QUESTIONS REGARDING US PLANS FOR PROVISION OF INITIAL UNTAG AIR LIFT ON NON-REIMBURSABLE BASIS AS WELL AS HIS REMARK THAT MINISTRY OF FINANCE

HAD NOT YET APPROVED THIS PACKAGE INDICATED THAT THIS CONTRIBUTION WOULD BE NON-REIMBURSABLE.

2. DEPOFF ASKED WHETHER GOJ PLANNED TO PROVIDE TRANS-PORTATION FOR THIS EQUIPMENT, ASSUMING PACKAGE IS

APPROVED BY OTHER JAPANESE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, OR WHETHER JAPANESE WOULD EXPECT UN TO TRANSPORT THIS EQUIPMENT TO NAMIBIA. TANAKA SAID HE HAD NO INFORMATION ON THIS POINT. DEPOFF ALSO ASKED WHETHER JAPANESE WERE STILL CONSIDERING POSSIBILITY OF OFFERING TO PROVIDE HELICOPTERS AND LIGHT AIRCRAFT FOR UNTAG OPERATION. TANAKA SAID HE HAD NO INFORMATION ON THIS POINT EITHER.

3. IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF EMBASSY TOKYO COULD CONFIRM THAT JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS DECIDED TO OFFER TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT AND GENERATORS IN QUANTITIES SPECIFIED ABOVE TO UN FOR UNTAG OPERATION ON NON-REIMBURSABLE BASIS. WE WOULD ALSO BE INTERESTED IN WHETHER JAPANESE PLAN TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AS WELL. EMBASSY SHOULD POINT OUT TO JAPANESE THAT THIS VOLUME OF EQUIPMENT WOULD CLEARLY REQUIRE SEA TRANSPORTATION TO NAMIBIA AND THAT JAPANESE WOULD BE IN GOOD POSITION TO SUPPLY SHIPPING REQUIRED.

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